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## WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

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1. A solid-state image pickup device comprising:

a solid-state image pickup element chip on which a plurality of solid-state image pickup elements are

5 mounted; and

a protection cap provided on a light incident side of said solid-state image pickup element chip and adapted to protect said solid-state image pickup element chip, characterized in that

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said solid-state image pickup element chip is formed on a substrate with a thermal expansion coefficient equal to that of said protection cap, and

the substrate and said protection cap are sealed with a sealing resin.

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2. The device according to claim 1, characterized in that said solid-state image pickup element chip is adhered onto the substrate with a flexible adhesive.

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3. The device according to claim 1, characterized in that a contact preventive member is provided between each one of the plurality of solid-state image pickup elements and the sealing resin so the sealing resin will not come into contact with each one of the plurality of solid-state image pickup elements.

4. The device according to claim 1, characterized

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In that the substrate is one of a glass substrate, ceramic substrate, metal substrate, and resin substrate, or a substrate formed by stacking some of the glass substrate, ceramic substrate, metal substrate, and resin substrate.

5. The device according to claim 1, characterized in that the sealing resin is a resin selected from the group consisting of epoxy-, acrylic, and phenol-based resins.

6. The device according to claim 1, characterized in that said solid-state image pickup element chip is formed on the substrate through a light-shielding layer that shields light.

7. A solid-state image pickup device comprising:

a solid-state image pickup element chip on which a
plurality of solid-state image pickup elements are

20 mounted; and

a protection cap provided on a light incident side of said solid-state image pickup element chip and adapted to protect said solid-state image pickup element chip, characterized in that

said solid-state image pickup element chip is formed on a substrate made of the same material as that of said protection cap, and

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the substrate and said protection cap are sealed with a sealing resin.

- 8. The device according to claim 7, characterized in that said solid-state image pickup element chip is adhered onto the substrate with a flexible adhesive.
  - 9. The device according to claim 7, characterized in that a contact preventive member is provided between each one of the plurality of solid-state image pickup elements and the sealing resin so the sealing resin will not come into contact with each one of the plurality of solid-state image pickup elements.
- 15 10. The device according to claim 7, characterized in that the substrate is one of a glass substrate, ceramic substrate, metal substrate, and resin substrate, or a substrate formed by stacking some of the glass substrate, ceramic substrate, metal substrate, and resin substrate.
  - 11. The device according to claim 7, characterized in that the sealing resin is a resin selected from the group consisting of epoxy-, acrylic, and phenol-based resins.
    - 12. The device according to claim 7,

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characterized in that said solid-state image pickup element chip is

formed on the substrate through a light-shielding layer that shields light.

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